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### **Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum to Hold Ribbon Cutting to Showcase New Exhibit**

**What: Ribbon Cutting to Showcase New Agriculture Exhibit**  
**Who: Cindy Hyde-Smith, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce**  
**Farm Families of Mississippi**  
**When: 9:30 a.m. June 28, 2013**  
**Where: Lobby of Heritage Center, Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum**  
**1150 Lakeland Drive, Jackson, MS**

**Jackson, Miss.** – Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Cindy Hyde-Smith, along with the members of Farm Families of Mississippi, will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony to showcase a new agriculture exhibit on display at the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum. The ribbon cutting ceremony will take place at 9:30 a.m. in the lobby of the Heritage Center.

The exhibit, donated by the Farm Families of Mississippi, showcases the importance and contributions of Mississippi agriculture. The exhibit features information about Mississippi's farmers, farmland, forestry, crops, livestock, poultry, and catfish. The exhibit features interactive activities including two iPads with information and educational videos about Mississippi agriculture and a kiosk featuring My American Farm, which is an interactive game for children that teach about agriculture in America. Farm Families of Mississippi, a non-profit consisting of a group of organizations, companies, and individuals, was created for the specific purpose of promoting Mississippi agriculture to the general public.

The Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Museum, which features the National Agricultural Aviation Museum, portrays the important role that the agriculture and forestry industries have played in Mississippi's history and how these industries have shaped Mississippi's economy through the years through both indoor and outdoor exhibits. The Museum, located at 1150 Lakeland Drive in Jackson, is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information about the Museum, call (601) 432-4500, visit [www.msagmusuem.org](http://www.msagmusuem.org), or visit the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum on Facebook.

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